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#### MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

This document is a reciprocal agreement to use brands as a form of official identification to facilitate movement of animals between Montana and Oregon. Per 9CFR 86.4(a) and 86.5(c)(6), states may recognize alternate forms of identification and documentation. For purposes of documenting Montana and Oregon's accepted alternate forms of identification and documentation, the undersigned representatives of Montana and Oregon acknowledge and agree as follows:

#### BRANDS AS APPROVED FORM OF OFFICIAL IDENTIFICATION BETWEEN MONTANA & OREGON:

Cattle may be officially identified by:

> 9 CFR 86.4(a)(1)(ii) brands officially recognized registered with a recognized brand inspection authority and accompanied by an official brand inspection certificate, when agreed to by the shipping and receiving state or tribal animal health authorities.

Montana requires that all livestock imported into Montana be officially individually identified, however:

- > Registered brands are accepted as official identification for sexually intact beef cattle 18 months of age and older if they are branded, have individual official ear tags, do not have testing or quarantine requirements, are accompanied by the brand inspection certificate, and are not for exhibition or recreation purposes. All cattle must be branded with brands registered to the owner of the cattle.
- > Montana requires an official certificate of veterinary health inspection (CVI) on all imported animals.

## Oregon requires that

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Oregon requires an official certificate of veterinary health inspection (CVI) on all imported animals.

We, the undersigned State Veterinarians of Montana and Oregon hereby agree to the above enumerated conditions for livestock being imported into our respective states in compliance with the APHIS Animal Disease Traceability Rule. Either party can terminate this agreement within 14 days of written notice by either signatory.

Dr. Marty Zaluski

Date

Dr. Brad LeaMaster

Date

Montana State Veterinarian

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